

"To Our Pride In the Past, and Our Hope for the Future, Let Us Add Vigorous Work in the Living Present."

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## Veterans Of Three Wars Pay Tribute To The Men Who Fell

On Fame's eternal camping ground  
Their silent tents are spread;  
And Glory guards with solemn round  
The bivouac of the dead.

A firing squad gave its salute, the last note of Taps died away and veterans of three wars disbanded once more after paying tribute all too small to the comrades who had gone on.

Ten Memorial Day exercises, held under the auspices of the American Legion, were impressive from the start, when the services opened at the Christian Church with a greeting by Bryan Wilson, Commander of the James Bledsoe Post.

The address by Rev. F. W. Emerson, was a stirring appeal to those who remained to live up to the high traditions of those who had been laid away for the same cause for which we who live had fought. America, he said, had stood for high ideals and unmistakably for ideals. She must continue to live and to practice them.

Recounting past struggles, that he hoped would be no more, the speaker said that this same spirit of devotion and sacrifice should live in our generation. It has made America.

After the services at the Christian Church the veterans, followed by a goodly number of townspeople, marched to the American Legion lot in Elmwood and there a prayer was given for the men beneath the sod and a last respect paid.

The grave of each veteran bore the "wealth of spring" and a tiny American flag, the one for which they gave their last full measure of devotion.

To those who attended it was a truly memorable event and one that will serve to strengthen in their hearts the patriotism and simple faith that has made America great.

These are the World War Veterans that Audrain honors:

Buried in Elmwood  
James W. Bledsoe  
Monte Brooks  
Merrill Peters  
Robert Bertels  
Harrison Bertels  
Russell Cressey  
Rollie V. Duty  
George Hollingsworth  
In the County and Foreign Fields  
Fred Allen  
Warren Callaway  
Robert L. Cauthorn  
Charles D. Crane  
Lawrence Ford  
Ross A. Hubbell  
George A. Irion  
James R. Jones  
Arden B. Kisor  
Edward H. Blase  
Louis Leeper  
Frank L. Lease  
Harry D. Laird  
Forrest E. Musgrove  
William Matthews  
Clarence Schooling  
Guy W. Shaw  
Henry Johnson (col.)

## Miss A. Hayes And J. R. Myers Are Married

Miss Anna Belle Hayes and James R. Myers were united in marriage by Rev. W. C. Cowart at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeter Crews at 8 p. m., Monday night.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of only the immediate relatives of the couple, Dr. Cowart using the ring ceremony.

The bride, who has resided in Columbia is a very charming young girl with many friends in that town.

The groom is the son of Ns Myers of North Jefferson Street and is night Baggage-master at the C. & A. The couple will reside in the Creasy apartments on Jefferson street.

The Ledger joins friends in extending best wishes for many happy years of wedded life.

## FAVOR DISARMAMENT

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The senate late Saturday adopted the amendment of Senator Borah, Republican, of Idaho to the naval appropriation bill which would request President Harding to invite Great Britain and Japan to join with the United States in a disarmament conference.

The vote for Senator Borah's amendment was 74 to 0.

Larrison Oliver of New Florence is improving after a serious operation at Audrain Hospital.

## The Small Advertisements

The other day a farmer placed a small advertisement in our "Farmer's Exchange Column" and the next day sold the article advertised to his nearest neighbor.

One had something to sell and the other wanted it. If it hadn't been for this popular column in the Weekly Ledger they would, most likely, never have brought together.

The Farmer's Exchange Column is for the purpose of bringing the buyer and the seller together, finding the owners of lost articles and etc. The cost of these advertisements is slight in comparison with the results.

We suggest you use this column and let it work for you.

*L. Mitchell White*

## C. OF C. SHOWS REASONS FOR BUDGET INCREASE

In calling the attention of local men to the need of a greater Chamber of Commerce, supported by more members and a larger budget, the Committee call attention to the following results that other Chambers have secured:

Maryville, Nodaway County. Population of town 4,500. 1100 members. 450 rural business men. Budget \$18,000.

For three years promoted a new kind of rural education called "Vitalized Agriculture," by co-operation with the County Superintendent. Paid the salary of an assistant county Supt. of Schools.

Excelsior Springs, Mo., 6,500 population. Budget of \$17,000.  
Nevada, Mo., 6,000 population. \$6,000 a year budget.

1. Secured factory.  
2. Marked Highways.  
3. Pushed Pure Bred Stock campaign.  
4. Operates credit rating department.  
5. Trade extension tours.  
6. Helped finance county fair.  
7. Provided tourists camping ground.

Mexico is just as big and progressive as any other city in the above list. If every citizen will do his or her part by joining the Audrain County Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber will be able to put into operation the many projects very much needed for the community centering in Mexico.

## HONOR MINISTERS

A beautiful and fitting service was celebrated Monday at Elmwood cemetery by a group of Mexico Methodists. A brief tribute was laid at the graves of Rev. Andrew Munro, pioneer preacher of Methodism who labored 6 years in Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri; Rev. T. J. Gooch, who held two pastorates in the local congregation from 1873-74 and 1878-81. Dr. H. M. Hamilton of the greatest teachers and Sunday school men of his day, at one time president of the International Sunday School Association; Rev. Nathaniel Fish, preacher for many years in the Missouri Conference, J. M. Marmaduke, who for 14 years was superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School in this city. S. P. Emmons and C. R. Adams gave brief tributes of honor to these worthy men-members of the Epworth League and Sunday School laid flowers upon each mound.

## INSTALL DEACONS

Sunday, May 29 was a great day at Hopewell Church at Thompson. The occasion was the ordination of four of the fine young men of that church to the Deaconship. The men were Emmet Davenport, Turner Pullis, Earl Jesse and Thornton Scott.

The ministers who attended the ceremonies were W. C. Hagerman, pastor at Bethlehem and Hopewell, W. D. Pullis of Centralia, and J. S. Jesse of Mexico.

After the organization of the council by the election of W. G. Hagerman as president and Elmer Chapman, clerk a program and sermon followed.

The final event was such a dinner as only Hopewell ladies know how to serve with plenty of good things for all.

Mrs. A. A. Wallace who underwent a minor operation in St. Louis this week, is doing nicely and will be home in a few days.

## HARDIN CLOSES; MEXICO FOLKS IN HONORS

"It is with a mingled feeling of joy and regret that I began this last address in my capacity as President of Hardin," said Dr. J. W. Million in opening his talk to the graduates at the forty-fifth annual Commencement Tuesday night.

"Inspiration," he said "is 98 percent perspiration and perspiration is 98 percent of success. If a man only has the inclination to perspire he can succeed."

"There is a bad spirit abroad in our land of trying to 'get by' on the minimum of work. They may be able to 'get by,' but they can never succeed."

"Unfortunately," he continued "we have trained two generations of men to keep their eyes on the clock instead of on the job. American colleges must turn them back."

For the first time in the history of the school an M. A. degree was conferred. It was given to Mrs. Claudia Wilkey Johnson Carter, who had five daughters to graduate from the school.

As Dean Helen L. Million placed the Master's hood upon the gown Mrs. Carter wore, President Million said, "The faculty and Board of Trustees feel that you have made a distinct contribution to the field of education, as well as to humanity."

Miss Mable Motley was the honor student for the entire school, leading all in scholarship. Among the seniors the following from Audrain and vicinity were honored:

Phi Theta Kappa  
Eliza Martin, Mexico  
Helen Mabry, Wellsville  
Helen Million, Mexico  
Barbara Reavis, Mexico  
Lillian Scoobe, Perry.  
Phi Zeta Omicron  
Alpha  
Helen Heizer, Mexico  
Elsie Ward, Mexico  
Beta  
Lila McIntosh, Mexico  
Wretha Stuart, Thompson  
Delta  
Helen Mabry, Wellsville  
Ella Martin, Mexico  
Helen Million, Mexico  
Barbara Reavis, Mexico  
Lillian Scoobe, Perry  
Lucile Simmons, Centralia.  
Gamma  
Hazel McIntyre, Mexico  
Mary Frances Rowland, Mexico  
Ann Lacy Wallace, Mexico.

The Honor List  
Mabel Dorgan, Mexico  
Elizabeth Harper, Mexico  
Helen Kincaid, Mexico  
Catherine Witherspoon, Mexico.  
Judge E. A. Shannon represented the Board of Directors in transferring the Presidency from Dr. Million to Dr. Vaughn, the new president taking the insignia of office with a solemn resolve to serve Hardin faithfully.

Following are those who received diplomas:

Conservatory of Music.  
Lucy Baker, Dunbar, Neb.  
Gladys Blackburn, Malta Bend, Mo.  
Helen Hart, Charleston, Mo.  
Ottilla Houser, California, Mo.  
Rosebud McPherson, Pawhuska, Okla.

Local Boys Furnish Ammunitions.  
Thur the aid of the local post of the American Legion and the courtesy of officials at M. M. A. the Legion post at Moberly was furnished the ammunition for a firing squad for Memorial Day. The boys in Randolph County appeared to Mexico when it was found they had no ammunition in their town.

Car Damaged By Fire.  
A Scripps-Booth car belonging to the Orpheum Garage caught fire from a leak in the vacuum tank two miles east of the Pollock place and was partially destroyed Friday night.

Go on Camping Trip.  
The following left Wednesday for Ha-Ha-Tonka for the remainder of the week. They will fish and hike. M. T. Anderson, R. N. R. Rodes, J. H. Whitmore, F. P. Glass, J. C. Stoy, F. N. Henderson, Mr. Dickinson, Joy Kistler, Tom Bruce, C. C. Bledsoe, T. J. Williams, Turner Williams, R. R. Wagner, Norton Nelson.

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## FARM VALUES IN AUDRAIN CO. MUCH HIGHER

Complete figures of the 14th census, just made public in full would indicate that the number of Audrain people who find it profitable to operate their own farms are decreasing, as there were 1,713 people who operated in 1920 as against 1,856 in 1910. The per cent of all farms so operated in 1920 was 67.9.

Further interesting figures for Audrain County indicate that not only has the value of farm machinery increased, but the value of land in farms has jumped from \$23,865,341 in 1910 to \$38,713,271 in 1920.

It is interesting to note that the value of farm live stock has not risen in proportion to the increase in other Audrain farm values as the figures for 1920 give \$5,962,714 and for 1910 \$4,620,243.

According to the latest census reports there were 2,521 farms in Audrain 1920, and in 1910 2,734 farms and in 1900 2,770 farms. The report shows 2,458 male farmers in Audrain and 63 female. There are 2,424 native white farmers, 67 foreign born white farmers and 30 negro.

The largest number of farms run from 100 to 174 acres and are 970 in number, the next 50 to 99 acres in all 488 farms, only six farms are listed over 1000 acres, 57 between 500 and 1000 acres.

Audrain is credited with 438,400 acres in all of which 518,884 were in farms in 1920, 426,560 in farms in 1910 and 415,248 acres in farms in 1900. The average acres per farms is 166.1.

The value of all farm property in 1920 was \$53,999,849, in 1910 it was \$33,575,009, in 1900 it was \$14,096,554.

## DINNER AT M.M.A. GIVEN IN HONOR OF DR. AND MRS. MILLION

A hundred friends of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Million gathered in the dining room at M.M.A. Saturday night to banquet in honor of the departing President of Hardin and his wife. Most of those present had worked with Dr. Million or knew him for years and their presence made the occasion most impressive.

Splendid musical numbers that were encored time and again lent humor and pathos to the occasion that was completed by the tributes of words that old friends paid.

Rufus Jackson eulogized Dr. Million for his 26 years of faithful service in Mexico and told of the efforts that the out-going President of Hardin had made for the up-building of the school. Mexico loses at least "two millions," he said, when they depart.

William Pollock, whom Dr. Million mentioned as the man who had "been thru the mill," and who was a member of the Building Committee of the college said that Dr. Million had done more for Mexico than many people realized and had worked earnestly for its up-building.

Dr. S. J. Vaughn paid a tribute of honor to Dr. Million and said he "would be satisfied to slip into folks' confidences and Dr. Million's place."

After talks by both Dr. and Mrs. Million, C. A. Barnes, the toastmaster, on presenting the honored guests with a token from their friends, said that the they were leaving, "the Million spirit would not depart."

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## WOULD LUNCH CAMPAIGN FOR CHINESE FUND

A campaign for the China Famine Fund is now under way in Missouri and will be put on in approximately 100 towns. The St. Louis Committee, has been asked by the National and State Committees to aid in the campaign of the state. George Coombs, a representative of the committee, will reach this city in a few days and will arrange with local men and women to lead in the work here.

A new and urgent call has come from New York Headquarters of the fund.

"The increasingly acute situation," the appeal says, "in the famine stricken provinces of North China impels the American Committee to send to all local and State Committees this urgent appeal to continue their activities at least until up in June. Five million starving Chinese will be dependent upon us for further funds until the next harvest come in."

## Native of Audrain Celebrates 1st Solemn Mass

The Rev. Father Adolph Paschang celebrated his First Solemn Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Martinsburg, Thursday at 9 a. m. He was assisted by the Rev. W. Kempf, of Spanish Lake, Mo., as Deacon and the Rev. Father M. Schaller of St. Louis as sub. Deacon.

An eloquent sermon was delivered by the Rev. Father Jos. Sullivan of St. Louis. The St. Joseph's choir under the able leadership of F. G. Jacobi organist performed their duties with credit. The church, which has the largest seating capacity of any building in Martinsburg was crowded to its utmost capacity, many being obligated to stand in the rear. Quite a number of persons from out of town were present. Those attending beside the above mentioned were: Rev. Fathers D. D. Hurley of Wellsville, Jos. Raaien of Glasgow, H. Schlueter of Vandalia, Jos. Horner of Luebbering, Mo., and Gavin of Mexico.

He will probably sail for China in September to take up his work in the field of Foreign Missions.

Father Paschang is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Paschang, both deceased, who were some of this community's pioneers and most highly respected people. He was born and reared in Martinsburg. He received his early education at St. Joseph's Parochial school and later attended St. Louis University. Upon his graduation from the University he entered the Foreign Mission Seminary, Mary Knoll, Osining, New York.

Following is a partial list of the persons from Mexico attending the celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes Green and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dohyns, Mrs. W. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Rosalee, Mrs. Reis and Rev. Father Gavin.

## NEW THEATRE

Work was started Monday on the Orpheum Theatre in Vandalia which will be owned by Campbell Bros., of this city, managers and owners of the Orpheum theatre in Mexico.

The theatre will be modern in every particular and will show the finest films on the market. The Ledger joins their many Mexico friends in wishing them success with this new venture.

## Millersburg Couple Married.

Miss Faye Scruggs and Joel Haden, both of Millersburg were married by Dr. W. C. Cowart's study Saturday morning in the presence of relatives and friends. They departed at noon for a honeymoon to Colorado. The Ledger joins friends in extending congratulations.

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## HARDIN BOARD ANNOUNCES THE COLLEGE FACULTY

In choosing a faculty for next fall the Board of Directors of Hardin College believe they have not only maintained the present high academic standards of the school but have placed it above other Missouri Junior Colleges.

"The faculty is an especially strong one, I believe," said one member of the board, "and we have reason to expect great things in the coming school year."

Following are the names made public:

S. J. Vaughn, President.  
Mary Olive Hunting, Latin and Greek.  
Ruth Boyd, English.  
Helen Sherwood Knight, Assistant in English and History.  
T. P. Oakley, History and Education.

Asa Q. Burns, Religious Education.  
William B. Peeler, Science.  
Mattie Lois Jones, Mathematics.  
Esther Fraser, Home Economics.  
Albert De Chaudron, French and Spanish.  
Emma Witt, Commercial.  
Ethel Porter, Instructor in Swimming.  
Mrs. T. P. Oakley, Librarian.  
Ethel Thornburgh, Secretary to the President.

Helen Shotwell, Assistant in Piano.  
Maude E. Gates, Piano.  
Elizabeth Coots, Piano.  
Florence L. Woodin, Director of Voice Department.  
Zella C. Keaster, Assistant in Voice.  
Martha Pilcher, Violin and Harp.  
Vera H. Blandford, Expression.  
Vera Rutter, Assistant in Expression.  
Mary W. Shackelford, Art.  
Ruth Noah, Art Assistant.  
Bessie May Holmes, nurse.  
Mary Humphrey, Night Matron.  
Other names will be announced to fill vacancies caused by recent resignations.

## Will Improve Orpheum Theatre Starting June 1

Picture Theatre Will be Closed For Two Weeks While Improvements Are Made in Building

On June first the Orpheum theatre of this city, will close for a period of two weeks while improvements are being made in the building and its arrangements. It will be opened in time to accommodate the sessions and entertainments of the Missouri Drummer's Association which meets in this city in June.

Various improvements will be made in the interior of the house and some of the work which was not completed when it was built will be done. The announcement was made Monday by Manager Campbell.

The front of the theatre will be repainted and decorated, the ventilating system will be enlarged with several new units, a new roof will be put on the entire building, the seats repaired and fixed and the house generally renovated.

LOCATE HEADQUARTERS

James E. Green, who is in charge of work in this district for the Presbyterian Educational Campaign Fund has taken a suite of rooms in the Bragg Building and will conduct the affairs of the campaign there.

The money for the fund is about all subscribed now, but the payments are to run over a period of five years, so the offices will be here at least that long.

Because of the central location of Mexico in the state church leaders are working to have other synod offices moved here.

SUPERINTENDENT WILL HOLD COUNTY  
TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS JUNE 3-4

County teachers' examinations will be held in the County Court Room on June 3 and 4, according to announcement made by Superintendent Offutt Monday. These examinations will be for all who desire to secure certificates to teach in Audrain during the coming school year.

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